

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the City  
Council of the City of Rye held in City Hall on October  
18, 2000 at 8:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

STEVEN OTIS, Mayor  
CAROLYN CUNNINGHAM  
ROBERTA DOWNING  
ROBERT H. HUTCHINGS  
ROSAMOND LARR  
DOUGLAS MCKEAN  
ARTHUR STAMPLEMAN  
Councilmen

ABSENT:

NONE

1. Roll Call

Mayor Otis called the meeting to order; a quorum was present to conduct official city business.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Otis invited the council to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Residents may be heard who have matters to discuss that do not appear on the agenda

A. Linda Lefkowitz of Oakwood Avenue addressed the Council on the subject of parking on Oakwood Avenue. She said that she, and other neighbors, had received several tickets and that they considered the law, which restricts parking during the summer because of Playland, to be too restrictive and inconvenient to the neighborhood. She informed the Council that the restrictions prevented the residents from having guests, parties, or any other gathering which might require street parking. She asked that the Council review the situation.

Mayor Otis mentioned that this issue had arisen in the past and that in 1994 the Council had requested and won passage of State legislation to allow Rye to institute a residential parking system in the summer restricted parking area. After passage, there was opposition to establishing a residential permit parking system and the plan was never implemented. The Council agreed that it was worth

taking another look at the authorization and at other options as well. Mayor Otis informed Mrs. Lefkowitz that the Council will reinvestigate the situation and get back to her.

B. Thierry Hasse, President of the Homeowners Association of The Preserve, appeared before the Council to read a letter, addressed to Mayor Otis and City Manager Novak, thanking them for staying the bidding and installation of the traffic light; indicating that they had met with the Traffic and Transportation Committee on October 12; and that, after careful review of all the information available and a preliminary polling of The Preserve homeowners, it is clear that the majority of the residents do not want the traffic light at the Boston Post Road/Johnson Place/Barlow Lane intersection. He said the residents feel that the issue is speed and that a light would not be a solution. Councilwoman Cunningham recalled that some of the residents of Barlow Lane were upset when the previous light was knocked down. Mayor Otis thanked Mr. Hasse for the update and said that the subject would be on the November 1 Council agenda. The Mayor said the Council would obtain additional input from the Traffic and Transportation Committee and asked Mr. Hasse to submit a detailed proposal in writing prior to the meeting so that the Council could have it before them during the November 1 discussion.

#### 4. Report of County Legislator

Mayor Otis introduced County Legislator/Chairman George Latimer who began by saying it was always nice to be home and then presented his quarterly report to the Council. Legislator Latimer began by mentioning that the County is the middle of its own budgeting process. The budget is organized into three distinct volumes: The Capital Budget, the Sewer, Water and Refuse Disposal District Budget where they look at roads and bridges; and the General Fund Operating Budget where they would look at such items as police presence at Playland. The Public Hearing process begins November 15 and the final budget is scheduled to be approved no later than December 27, 2000. He presented a copy of the "People's Budget 2000: Taxpayer Friendly Budget" to the Council.

Legislator Latimer discussed several issues regarding Playland:

- \* Progress is being made on increased Police presence.
- \* There have been several meetings on the subject of traffic, especially on holidays such as last July 4<sup>th</sup> which produced a completely unacceptable situation. The County is looking at options, such as how to deflect traffic when the lots are full, and will be meeting early next year to discuss the matter in greater detail. He will be turning to the City Manager to make sure the community and local police are kept informed.
- \* Rye Youth Soccer would like to reach an agreement with Westchester County to use a field at Playland (in the rear toward the Read Sanctuary). He will get back to the Council if a plan, which would have no financial impact on the City of Rye, can be worked out.
- \* He has met with the fire department to develop better communication about accommodating the need to use the parking lot for training.

In response to a question from Councilwoman Larr concerning control of the "booms" from the fireworks, Legislator Latimer said the fireworks company insists they are lower, but that maybe an expert needs to be hired to evaluate the situation. Councilwoman Larr said she felt this would be much appreciated by the residents.

Legislator Latimer mentioned several other items which involve the City of Rye:

- \* He and the Mayor have toured sites cited in our applications for State Environmental Bond Act grants. While conceptually all sites are worthy of funding and the County is willing to act as a partner, there will need to be a balance between these sites and other County needs.
- \* The mini bus (Route 76) has finished its 2<sup>nd</sup> year and it looks like it is here to stay.
- \* The County is developing strategies for year 3 of the West Nile Virus. The first year (1999) came as a surprise and the only action taken was aerial spraying. During 2000, there was ground spraying and, fortunately, no human cases reported. However, the virus is here to stay, so a plan needs to be developed for the future. In response to a question from Councilman Hutchings, Legislator Latimer said that the program probably cost in excess of \$250,000 this year, especially because there are only a few companies that spray and they can command high prices.
- \* There is great interest in Westchester County Airport and a need to analyze the proposed changes, such as how to protect the buffer land, and how to use the Air National Guard Building. The County has not yet had a directive concerning the changes to the Master Plan but they are important, not only from the point of view of noise, but of water quality. In response to a question from Councilman Stampleman concerning obtaining restrictions on garage use prior to early departures, Legislator Latimer said that imposing restrictions could be perceived as being in violation of the existing agreement and that any action at this time could bring the County back to court.
- \* The County is in agreement concerning the conveyance of four parcels of land to the City of Rye. Conceptually everything is ready, but he suggested a walkthrough with both County and City personnel to make sure that the City really wants these parcels and that they would not produce additional financial burden.

5. Consideration of Memorandum of Understanding between the Civil Service Employees Association/Clerical Unit and the City of Rye, for 2001-2003

At the request of Mayor Otis, the City Manager reported that a Memorandum of Understanding with the Civil Service Employees Association/Clerical Unit has been executed by both the City and the President of the Unit for a three year contract. She thanked the Mayor and Council for

providing fair and reasonable negotiating parameters and the Negotiating Committee, headed by Gail Klepps, for negotiating in good faith and allowing the City to come to a quick Agreement.

Mayor Otis said he felt the agreement was in line with prior agreements; that it was fair and responsible to both the City's budget goals and to the City's valued employees; and that execution prior to the expiration of the current contract was positive. He complimented both the City Manager and the Union Representatives.

Councilwoman Cunningham made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hutchings, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Council  
approve the three year contract between the  
Civil Service Employees Association/Clerical  
Unit and the City of Rye for 2001-2003.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Downing, Cunningham, Hutchings,  
Larr, McKean and Stampleman

NAYS:None

ABSENT: None

The resolution passed.

6. Consideration of Memorandum of Understanding between the Civil Service Employees Association/Public Works Unit and the City of Rye, for 2001-2003

At the request of Mayor Otis, City Manager Julia Novak presented the Memorandum of Understanding between the Civil Service Employees Association/Public Works Unit and the City of Rye for 2001-2003 for consideration, and thanked the Mayor and the Council for providing fair and equitable parameters. She mentioned President Phil Moccio, in particular, for negotiating in good faith.

Councilwoman Larr made a motion, seconded by Councilman Hutchings, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the Council approve  
the three year contract between the Civil  
Service Employees Association/Public Works  
Unit and the City of Rye for 2001-2003.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Downing, Cunningham, Hutchings,  
Larr, McKean and Stampleman

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution passed.

7. Consideration of Memorandum of Understanding between the Rye Police Association and the City of Rye, for 2001-2003

This agenda item was postponed until the November 1 Council Meeting.

The following agenda item was taken out of order.

9. Discussion of the joint traffic study conducted for the Rye City School District and City of Rye

Mayor Otis asked the Council to discuss the items summarized in the City Manager's August 14, 2000 memo concerning the City of Rye/Rye School District Traffic Safety Study in preparation for a joint meeting of the City Council and the Board of Education to be held on October 24<sup>th</sup>. He asked Brian Dempsey, from TRC Raymond Keyes Associates, to answer any questions the Council might have. Mr. Dempsey said the memo was a summary of general recommendations and that there were individual lists of recommendations for each school, many of which have already been acted upon. Councilman Stampleman suggested that prior to October 24<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Education be given a copy of Manager Novak's memo and that each member of the Council be provided with the specific school recommendations and the action taken to date.

Councilwoman Cunningham asked for clarification concerning the crossing guards. Manager Novak said that the City now has a person who has a combined job of crossing guard and parking enforcement officer. This person will be wearing a uniform throughout the day.

Councilwoman Cunningham also asked for additional information about pedestrian paths behind the schools. Mr. Dempsey said there are two paths behind Midland School; one is from the Synagogue to the baseball field which had been closed by the Synagogue; the other is from the top of Eve Lane down the hill to the school. He is under the impression that the easement expired in the 1960s. Mr. Neale said that easements don't usually expire, but that this one might have been temporary during a subdivision and he would have to check. He said if a pathway is established it is acceptable to use it, but that to expand the use (paving would be considered an expansion) would not be permissible.

Councilwoman Cunningham also talked about the desirability to have more sidewalks even though more sidewalks are no guarantee that more students would walk. She said that Forest Avenue

had the greatest need, but might also be the most difficult. Councilwoman Downing agreed that the number of pedestrians in that street, including mothers with strollers, was terrifying and that she, too, would like to see sidewalks, even if they were on varying sides with crosswalks in between. City Engineer George Mottarella told the Council that in order to install sidewalks, 75% of the residents would need to agree to install the sidewalks which they would have to pay for. Both Councilman McKean and Councilwoman Cunningham mentioned that in Colorado communities have installed bicycle paths or trailways which are not sidewalks and can, therefore, be paid for and maintained by the City. Mayor Otis said that perhaps the City can deal with this issue by installing trailways and suggested that the Recreation Department Master Plan might take a broader look at this solution, which would combine the safety of kids with recreation. Councilwoman Downing asked if any consideration had been given to making Stuyvesant Avenue safer and the Mayor said that trailways might be an alternative here as well.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Dempsey for a job well done and said everyone was looking forward to the meeting.

8. Discussion of the Recreation Master Plan

The Mayor asked for discussion of the Rye Recreation Master Plan in order to identify any issues that Council members hope will be covered at the Public Forum to be held on Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at City Hall at 8:00 PM. The Master Plan addresses three major areas to be addressed by the City: 1) creation of additional athletic field space, 2) creation of a trailway system in Rye, and 3) renovation and expansion of the Damiano Center at Recreation Park.

Councilwoman Cunningham mentioned how important it is to the Council for the public to attend the forum and share their support and/or concerns. She also said it was important for as many members of the Council as possible to attend.

Mayor Otis updated the council on grants which have been requested for land acquisition which could result in additional playing fields at Rye Nursery. He said the City had received no official word as yet, but that feedback has been positive. Councilman Stampleman mentioned that, in his opinion, there would be little opposition to the trailways idea and said that the acoustics situation at Damiano was being addressed in the City's capital plan.

Stephen Meyers, Chairman of the Rye Recreation Commission, informed the Council that the presentation would be comprehensive using both power point and schematics. It will be widely publicized with notices going to senior citizens groups, youth groups, and adjacent residents. He will send press releases to newspapers and to TV stations. The forum will also be taped so that it can be re-aired. The Mayor thanked Mr. Meyers and Superintendent of Recreation, William T. Rodriguez and his staff for a good job.

10. Continuation of public hearing on a proposed local law amending Section C6-7 of Article 6, and Section C7-2 of Article 7 of the Rye City Charter, changing the title Acting Mayor to Deputy Mayor

Mayor Otis reopened the public hearing on the proposed local law amending Section C6-7 of Article 6, and Section C7-2 of Article 7 of the Rye City Charter, changing the title Acting Mayor to Deputy Mayor. The Council debated whether this change was necessary. Councilwoman Larr said she could not fathom the difference. Councilman Hutchings said he felt that the case had not been made to justify the change and that "Deputy" implies additional duties. Councilwoman Cunningham declared that the change was simply a matter of semantics, and that it would eliminate questions concerning the whereabouts, health, etc. of the Mayor. The Mayor indicated that five neighboring municipalities use the word "Deputy." Councilwoman Downing pointed out that, regardless of the title, if the Mayor is not present the Councilperson representing the Mayor should be mentioned as just that, rather than by a title of Acting or Deputy Mayor. Councilman Stampleman quoted Webster's Dictionary and said he was totally in favor of the change and that the Council should make a decision one way or the other.

Councilman Stampleman made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Cunningham, to adopt the following local law:

**CITY OF RYE  
LOCAL LAW NO. 6-2000**

**A local law amending  
Section C7-2 of Article 7 and  
Section C6-7 of Article 6  
of the Rye City Charter, changing  
the title Acting Mayor to Deputy Mayor.**

Be it enacted by the Council of the City of Rye as follows:

**Section 1. Section C7-2 of Article 7 of the Rye City Charter is hereby amended as follows:**

**§ C7-2. Deputy Mayor.**

A. On or before the tenth day of January following his election, and within ten (10) days after any vacancy in the office of Deputy Mayor shall occur, the Mayor shall appoint a member of the Council as Deputy Mayor, to hold office as long as he remains such member and at the pleasure of the Mayor.

B. The Deputy Mayor shall serve as Mayor during the absence or disability of the Mayor, except that said Deputy Mayor shall not exercise any powers of appointment or removal from office unless such absence or disability shall have continued for a period of more than sixty (60) days.

C. In the event of the absence or disability of both the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, or in the event that the Mayor shall fail to appoint a Deputy Mayor or fill a vacancy in the office of Deputy Mayor within the time provided for herein, the Council shall appoint one of its members Deputy Mayor, to hold office at the pleasure of the Council and until either the Mayor or the Mayor's appointee as Deputy Mayor shall resume the duties of his office, respectively, or the Mayor shall appoint a Deputy Mayor, as the case may be.

**Section 2. Section C6-7 of Article 6 of the Rye City Charter is hereby amended as follows:**

**§ C6-7. Procedures.**

A. The Council shall meet at the City Hall or at such other place in the city as the Mayor may designate at any time within the first two (2) weeks of January in each year, and at such other times as hereinafter provided. The Council shall hold stated meetings at least twice a month, except that for the months of June through September only one (1) stated meeting per month need be held. The Mayor, or any two (2) Councilmen, may call special meetings by giving at least a twenty-four hour written notice thereof.

B. Meetings of the Council shall be public, except when public interest requires otherwise, but votes shall only be taken in public session. Its records shall be open to public inspection.

C. The Mayor shall preside at all meetings, but shall have no power of veto. Four (4) members of the Council shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from time to time and compel the attendance of absent members. Each member present, including the Mayor, shall have only one (1) vote. The Mayor must vote when the votes of the other members are tied. The Deputy Mayor shall preside at all meetings when the mayor is absent and, in such case, shall vote as Mayor but not as Councilman.

D. The adoption of local laws shall be governed by the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law. Notice of public hearings on local laws shall be given by publication once in the official newspaper at least five (5) days prior to such hearing.

E. The passage of an ordinance shall require the affirmative vote of at least four (4) members of the Council, except as otherwise provided by law, and such vote shall be taken by roll call. No ordinance shall be adopted on the same day it is introduced, except in an emergency. Any ordinance imposing a penalty or forfeiture for the violation thereof shall require a public hearing thereon, notice of which shall be given by publication once in the official newspaper at least five



(5) days prior to such hearing, and such ordinance shall, before taking effect, be published at least once in the official newspaper, except as hereinafter provided. In the event of a situation requiring immediate operation of such ordinance imposing a penalty or forfeiture for the violation thereof, it shall take effect as soon as proclaimed by the Mayor and posted in five (5) public places in the city. The City Clerk shall keep a record of each ordinance which record shall include his attestation and, when published, a certificate of such publication. Such record or a certified copy thereof shall be presumptive evidence of the proper passage of the ordinance.

F. The Council shall, by resolution, designate a newspaper circulated regularly at least once a week in the city as the official newspaper of the city.

G. The Council may prescribe rules to govern its proceedings.

**Section 3. This local law shall take effect immediately on filing in the office of the Secretary of State.**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Cunningham, McKean,  
and Stampleman

NAYS: Councilmen Downing, Hutchings and Larr

ABSENT: None

The local law was adopted.

11. Schedule of a public hearing on the Special Permit Application by Omnipoint Communications, Inc. to co-locate a wireless telecommunications facility at 66 Milton Road

Mayor Otis asked that a public hearing be scheduled on the Special Permit Application by Omnipoint Communications, Inc. to co-locate a wireless telecommunications facility at 66 Milton Road. He invited Donna Marie Stipo, Project Manager for Omnipoint, to address the Council. Ms. Stipo requested that the public hearing not be held until the November 15 meeting so that the 21-day notification schedule can be met. She assured the Council everything is otherwise in order and that everyone in Blind Brook Lodge (66 Milton Road) would be properly notified.

Councilwoman Downing made a motion, seconded by Councilman Stampleman, and unanimously carried, to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, a special permit application for permission to co-locate three (3) small panel antennas and one (1) equipment cabinet on the roof of the building located at 66 Milton Road has heretofore been introduced at this meeting and placed before the Mayor and each Councilman, and

**WHEREAS**, it is now desired to call a public hearing on such proposed application, now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, by the Council of the City of Rye as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule law and the Charter of the City of Rye, New York, a public hearing will be held by the Council of said City on November 15, 2000 at 8:00 P.M. at City Hall, Boston Post Road, in said City, for the purpose of affording interested persons an opportunity to be heard concerning such application.

Section 2. Such notice of public hearing shall be in substantially the following form:

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
CITY OF RYE**

**Notice of Public Hearing on a special permit application by Omnipoint Communications, Inc. to co-locate three (3) small panel antennas and one (1) equipment cabinet on the roof of the building located at 66 Milton Road**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Chapter 196 of the Code of the City of Rye (Wireless Telecommunications), that a public hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Rye on the 15th day of November 2000 at 8:00 P.M. at City Hall, Boston Post Road, on a special permit application by Omnipoint Communications, Inc. to co-locate three (3) small panel antennas and one (1) equipment cabinet on the roof of the building located at 66 Milton Road. Interested persons will be afforded an opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed application.

Copies of documents pertaining to this application may be obtained from the office of the City Clerk.

City Clerk

12. Approval of a contract with the County of Westchester for Snow and Ice Removal on County Roads for the period October 1, 2000 to September 30, 2005

Mayor Otis requested that the City Manager present the renewal agreement for the snow removal contract to the Council. She informed the Council that it was a standard 5-year continuation for all municipalities. City Engineer Mottarella said the City does have a salt shed so we do get the bonus and that, on average, the City recoups its costs.

Councilwoman Cunningham made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Larr, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the renewal agreement between the County of Westchester and the City of Rye for continuance of Snow and Ice Removal for designated County Roads within the City of Rye during October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2005 is hereby approved, and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the aforementioned agreement on behalf of the City of Rye.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Downing, Cunningham, Hutchings,  
Larr, McKean and Stampleman

NAYS:None

ABSENT: None

The resolution passed.

13. Authorization for the City Manager to accept a donation from Pfizer, Inc. to the Rye Police Department in the amount of \$7,000 for police purposes

At the request of Mayor Otis, the City Manager asked the Council to accept a much appreciated donation from Pfizer, Inc. to the Rye Police Department in the amount of \$7,000 to be used for special equipment at the Police Department.

Councilwoman Downing made a motion, seconded by Councilman McKean, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the City Manager is hereby authorized to accept a donation from Pfizer, Inc. to the Rye Police Department in the amount of \$7,000 for police purposes.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Downing, Cunningham, Hutchings,  
Larr, McKean and Stampleman

NAYS:None

ABSENT: None

The resolution passed.

14. Authorization for the City Manager to sell at auction surplus equipment as listed by the City Engineer

Mayor Otis asked the City Manager to describe plans to sell auction surplus equipment as listed by the City Engineer at auction. She said that it was a joint event with Rye Brook and Scarsdale; that it would take place at Disbrow Park on November 4; that there would be a professional auctioneer; and that there would be ads in the local paper and the New York Times. She asked the Council to grant authorization for the auction.

Councilman McKean made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Downing, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, the City Manager is hereby authorized to sell at auction surplus equipment as listed by the City Engineer.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Downing, Cunningham, Hutchings,  
Larr, McKean and Stampleman

NAYS:None

ABSENT: None

The resolution passed.

15. Authorization for the City Manager to enter into an Inter-Municipal Agreement with the Village of Rye Brook to provide a traffic signal at the intersection of South Ridge Street and High Street

Mayor Otis said the request for authorization for the City Manager to enter into an Inter-Municipal Agreement with the Village of Rye Brook to provide a traffic signal at the intersection of South Ridge Street and High Street was an agenda item carried forward from the October 4 Council Meeting. He asked Manager Novak to report on any recent developments. She said that the Traffic and Transportation Committee has reviewed the situation and still feels the light should be installed. City Engineer Mottarella mentioned that the cost is shared; that it is still a dangerous intersection; and that the 3-way stop signs were installed as a stop-gap measure and considered an inappropriate traffic control device by County officials. He mentioned that the light will be green unless someone is coming down High Street and that it was possible the County could sue the City if the installation does not proceed.

Councilman McKean made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Cunningham, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into an Inter-Municipal Agreement with the Village of Rye Brook to provide a traffic signal at the intersection of South Ridge Street and High Street.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Downing, Cunningham, Hutchings,  
Larr, McKean and Stampleman

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution passed.

16. Bids for Traffic Signal at Ridge Street and High Street

The following bid was received, within the parameters of the estimated cost and from a well respected and known contractor.

**Contract 0007**  
**Traffic Signal at Ridge Street and High Street**

NAME OF BIDDER		Phoenix Signal & Electric Corp.	
Item No. Quantities		Unit Price	Amount Bid
206.03 150 LF	Conduit Excavation and Backfill per lineal foot	20.00	3,000.00
635.0103 130 LF	Cleaning and Preparation of Pavement Surface Lines per lineal foot	65.00	8,450.00
645.2120 1 EACH	Traffic Sign 30 Inch X 24 Inch per each	400.00	400.00

645.2160 2 EACH	Traffic Sign 36 Inch X 24 Inch per each	500.00	1,000.00
680.5001 10 CY	Pole Excavation and Concrete Foundation per cubic yard	850.00	8,500.00
680.510501 4 EACH	Pullbox - Rectangular, 26" X 18", Reinforced Concrete per each	625.00	2,500.00
0680.5111 2 EACH	Cast Aluminum Junction Box per each	625.00	1,250.00
680.520104 50 LF	Conduit, Metal Steel, Zinc Coated, 1 ¼ Inch Dia. per lineal foot	9.00	450.00
680.520106 85 LF	Conduit, Metal Steel, Zinc Coated, 2 Inch Dia. per lineal foot	9.00	765.00
680.54 240 LF	Inductance Loop Installation per lineal foot	10.00	2,400.00
680.600630 2 LF	Furnish & Install Traffic Signal Pole-Spanwire (6000 lbs., 30 ft.) per lineal foot	3,900.00	7,800.00
680.7002 1 LF	Dual Signal Span Wire Assembly w/Upper Tether Wire per lineal foot	1,200.00	1,200.00
680.71 300 LF	Shielded Lead - in Cable per lineal foot	1.25	375.00
680.72 950 LF	Signal Loop Wire per lineal foot	1.25	1,187.50
680.730514 70 LF	Signal Cable, 05 Conductors, No. 14 AWG per lineal foot	2.90	203.00

680.731014	Signal Cable, 10 Conductors, No. 14 AWG per lineal foot	3.90	390.00
100 LF			
680.731914	Signal Cable, 19 Conductors, No. 14 AWG per lineal foot	5.50	605.00
110 LF			
W680.803243	Furnish & Install Microcomputer & 303 Cabinet lump sum	9,600.00	9,600.00
LS			
08680.8101	Traffic Signal Section 12 Inch per each	140.00	1,680.00
12 EACH			
680.810101M	Traffic Signal Section 12 Inch, Red Ball, L.E.D. per each	240.00	1,440.00
6 EACH			
680.810107M	Traffic Signal Section - Type 1, 12 Inch per each	130.00	910.00
7 EACH			
680.810108M	Traffic Signal Section 12 Inch, Bi-Modal Yellow/Green Arrow, L.E.D. per each	440.00	440.00
1 EACH			
08680.8111	Traffic Signal Bracket Assembly 1 Way per each	125.00	125.00
1 EACH			
08680.8112	Traffic Signal Bracket Assembly 2 Way per each	240.00	240.00
1 EACH			
08680.8113	Traffic Signal Bracket Assembly 3 Way per each	350.00	350.00
1 EACH			

680.8201 1 EACH	Overhead Sign Assembly, Type A per each	450.00	450.00
08680.94 1 EACH	Traffic Signal Service Entrance per each	800.00	800.00
15680.950206 30 LF	Service Cable, 02 Conductor, No. 06 AWG per lineal foot	1.50	45.00
W685.072001 250 LF	White Epoxy Reflect. Pavement Stripes 20 Mil (w. wet night visibility spheres) per lineal foot	4.50	1,125.00
W685.072003 8 EACH	White Epoxy Reflect. Pavement Letters 20 Mil (w. wet night visibility spheres) per each	150.00	1,200.00
W685.072004 4 EACH	White Epoxy Reflect. Pavement Symbols 20 Mil (w. wet night visibility spheres) per each	175.00	700.00
W800 LS	Miscellaneous Additional Work lump sum	3,000.00	3,000.00
619.01 LS	Maint. & Prot. Traffic lump sum	8,000.00	8,000.00
	<b>Total Price Bid</b>	70,580.50	
	<b>Engineer's Estimate</b>	70,580.50	

Councilwoman Downing made a motion, seconded by Councilman McKean, to adopt the following resolution:



**RESOLVED**, that Contract 0007 Traffic Signal at Ridge and High Streets, be and is hereby awarded to Phoenix Signals, the sole bidder, meeting specifications, in the amount of \$70,580.50, one half of which will be absorbed by the Village of Rye Brook.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Downing, Cunningham, Hutchings,  
Larr, McKean and Stampleman

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution passed.

17. Bids for Police Uniforms

Mayor Otis asked the City Manager to present the bid for police uniforms. She said the following bid had been received:

**BID #8-00**

**POLICE UNIFORMS**

NAME OF BIDDER	New England Sportswear
SECURITY	Certified Check
ISSUE ITEM	PRICE
Blauer Style #8561P7 Trousers, Color Navy, Braid Navy	<b>72.00</b>
Long Sleeve Shirt, Blauer Style #8900, French Blue Heather	<b>42.00</b>
Short Sleeve Shirt, Blauer Style #8910, French Blue Heather	<b>39.00</b>
Long Sleeve Shirt, Blauer Style #8900W, French Blue Heather	<b>42.00</b>
Short Sleeve Shirt, Blauer Style #8910W, French Blue Heather	<b>39.00</b>
Long Sleeve Shirts, Blauer Style #8900, White	<b>42.00</b>
Short Sleeve Shirts, Blauer Style #8910, White	<b>39.00</b>
Black Turtleneck Shirts, Elbeco #7702 with RPD Monogram	<b>22.00</b>
V-Neck Commando Sweater, Blauer #200 - Black	<b>49.00</b>
V-Neck Commando Sweater, Blauer #210XCR - Black, with Windstopper Liner	<b>99.00</b>
Cruiser Jacket, Blauer #9010Z	<b>240.00</b>
Lightweight Bomber Jacket, Blauer Style #6017-1, Color Navy	<b>99.00</b>
Raincoat & Raincap, Blauer Style #9690 with Stencil	<b>210.00</b>

Cap - Sentry #C1001 (Winter or Summer)	<b>28.00</b>
Tie, 2 1/4" x 1/4", 100% Wool Knit, NYSPD Style with Choke Proof Metal Clip	<b>5.00</b>
Collar Insignia, Silver R.P.D., 2 Pair per Officer, 3/8" Shirt, 1/2 Outer Garment	<b>10.00</b>
Collar Insignia, Gold, D.E.T., 1 Pair per Detective, 3/8 Shirt	<b>10.00</b>
Collar Insignia, Gold, R.P.D., 1/2 Outer Garment (2 Pair per Lt/Sgt/Det)	<b>10.00</b>
Collar Insignia, Gold Rank for Shirts, (2 Pair per Sgt/Lt)	<b>10.00</b>
Gortex Trooper Style Winter Hat, Blauer #9111	<b>25.00</b>
Sgt. Chevrons on Shirts and Outer Garments where Required	<b>3.50</b>
Hash Marks - All Officers as Required, Priced per Mark	
Blue/White on Black - P.O./Sgt	<b>1.00</b>
Gold/White for Lieuts., Shirts	<b>1.00</b>
Gold/Black for Lieuts, Outer Garments	<b>1.00</b>
Tailoring Cost per Garment for Chevrons/Hashmarks	<b>-0-</b>
American Body Armor Quilted Winter Outer Shell Vest Cover	<b>95.00</b>
Ballistic Vest Cover	<b>95.00</b>
Uniform Dress Blouse/Formal Blouse as per Specifications on Page 2 of Bid Proposal	<b>250.00</b>
White Dress Gloves	<b>3.50</b>

Councilman Hutchings made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Downing, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that Bid #8-00, Police Uniforms, be and is hereby awarded to New England sportswear, the sole bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of approximately \$70,000 for 2001.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Mayor Otis, Councilmen Downing, Cunningham, Hutchings,  
Larr, McKean and Stampleman

NAYS:None

ABSENT: None

The resolution passed.

18. Draft unapproved minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held October 4, 2000

Councilman Hutchings made a motion, seconded by Councilman Downing and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held October 4, 2000, as amended.

19. Miscellaneous communications and reports

Councilwoman Cunningham reported that she had represented Mayor Otis at a reception hosted by the Westchester Arts Council for Sound Shore Mayors at the Rye Arts Center held to create awareness of cultural opportunities along the shore and to create a sense of cultural community. Both she and Councilman Hutchings, who also attended, were both enlightened and impressed by the magnitude and vast array of the cultural arts initiatives and opportunities in the shoreline communities from Port Chester to New Rochelle.

Councilman Stampleman reported that the Audit Committee, consisting of himself and Councilwomen Cunningham and Larr, met to review the Management Letter received from the auditors. Many of the issues raised already have been, or will be, addressed by the City management. He reported that the auditors found the City to have a very professional, well run and experienced staff with a level of expertise among the best (if not the best) in municipal government, equivalent to many commercial financial operations. He reported that the auditors found the City's financial operations to be not as political as some others, often assuming a leadership role on various issues. Councilman Stampleman reported that the Council can be confident that the City has good financial management.

Councilwoman Downing, liaison to the Board of Architectural Review, reported on her impressions from the recent joint meeting of the Planning Commission, the Board of Architectural Review, the Landmarks Advisory Committee and the Library to discuss the Library's proposed addition and her concerns about the Council's position in regards to the process and to the commissions. She said that except for the Planning Commission, it was her understanding that all other commissions report directly to the Council. She said she felt Martin Edelman, Chairman of the Library's Board, came away with the impression the Landmarks Committee had veto power and she restated that only the Board of Architectural Review has the authority to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness. She continues to have concerns about the relationship between the Landmarks Committee and the Board of Architectural Review.

Councilman Stampleman's impression of the meeting was that Chairman Klemens of the Planning Commission clearly said that no one had veto power and that especially because of the number of historic landmarks involved, it is important that a solution be reached which is acceptable to the Landmarks Committee. He said he also thought that Dr. Klemens emphasized that it was in everyone's best interest to be flexible and reach a compromise position so that a full SEQRA review can be avoided. As a first step to that end, he mentioned that a meeting between the Landmarks Committee, the Board of Architectural Review and the Library had been scheduled for October 30. Councilman McKean mentioned that depending on the two new architectural proposals, hopefully there will be an opportunity to avoid a second negative declaration. Councilwoman Cunningham voiced her concern

about any plan which would build in the floodplain and reiterated the need to compromise. Councilwoman Downing again stated that the Board of Architectural Review feels the Landmarks Committee has jumped the gun by taking a strong position at this time, but Councilman McKean said he thought that the Landmarks Committee viewed the Library's presentation as a bona fide proposal to use the same massing and that the Landmarks Committee was within its rights to comment on this proposal. Councilwoman Downing said the Council needs to review the sequence of meetings so future misunderstandings can be avoided.

Mayor Otis said perhaps the Council should review the nature of the application process for the future. He summarized the foregoing conversation by emphasizing that there is a desire for everyone to join the issues and find an architectural solution and that hopefully everyone can get on the right track to move ahead. He said it is a very complex issue which will require flexibility and compromise on the part of all parties.

Councilman Stampleman mentioned that he had received a letter from Richard Propper, Chairman of the Commission on Human Rights, suggesting that the names of those receiving the Human Rights Award be displayed on a plaque somewhere in city hall. He said he thought it was a good idea. Councilwoman Cunningham agreed, and Councilman Stampleman was asked to suggest to Mr. Propper that he speak to the City Manager.

Councilman McKean reported on the progress of the Parking Working Group saying that four proposals were received and that they are interviewing two companies on Friday, October 20. Councilman Stampleman mentioned that there is a fund of about \$260,000 which could be used for this project. City Manager Novak described this amount as a "fee in lieu of" fund which was funded in the past by merchants but that contributions had been disbanded because there was no course of action for the parking situation. The Council said they should consider reinstituting contributions to the fund now that there is progress. Councilman Stampleman suggested the Working Group draft a communication to the Planning Commission to remind them that the City has a "fee in lieu of" fund within the budget. He further suggested that the City Manager could assist in drafting such a communication. Councilman McKean said he would have a report on the group's progress at the November 1 meeting.

20. Old Business

Councilwoman Cunningham noted that the City had an agreement in principal with NorthEast Optic Network, Inc. ("NEON") for a special use permit to install approximately 5,500 linear feet of conduit and fiber optic cable under the streets of Rye and asked the City Manager about the current status. Manager Novak and Corporation Counsel Neale reported that they had negotiated a very good and profitable agreement and they now need to identify the next steps. Councilwoman Cunningham said that, given that such a contract was new and possibly precedent-setting, she wondered if the Council shouldn't have had more input. Manager Novak said she would review the situation and report back to the council via memo.

21. New Business

Mayor Otis circulated two proclamations (one to the Rye Arts Center in honor of their 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and one to City Engineer George Mottarella in honor of being named Man of the Year 2000 by the Westchester Public Works Association) and asked the Council to approve the proclamations. The resolutions were unanimously approved.

Mayor Otis requested that the portion of the approved minutes from the October 4 meeting concerning the land swap between the American Yacht Club and the Town of Rye be circulated to all appropriate neighbors in anticipation of the review of the proposal scheduled for the November 1 meeting.

Councilman McKean made a motion seconded by Councilman Hutchings and unanimously carried, to adjourn to executive session at 10:40 P.M.

The Council reconvened at 11:08 P.M.

22. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Councilwoman Downing made a motion, seconded by Councilman McKean and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 11:09 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan A. Morison  
City Clerk